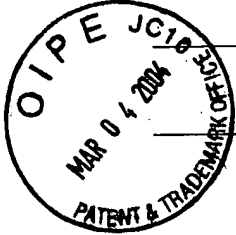


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In re Application of:

Faulks et al.

Serial No.: 09/849,935

Filing Date: May 4, 2001

For: DISPENSER GASKET AND  
TENSIONER SYSTEM

Examiner: E. Marcelo

Group Art Unit No.: 3654

**FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37

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### U.S. Patent Documents

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### Other Art Documents

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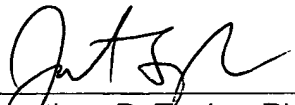
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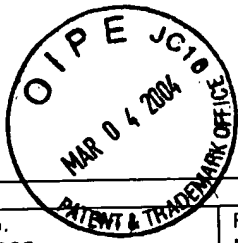
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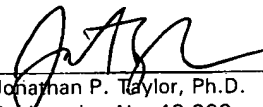
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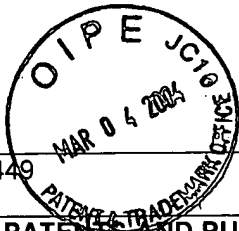
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